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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WRIT PETITION (C) No. 5319 of 2007

PETITIONER : Rajesh Nimeje, son of Shri Ramdas Chudaman, aged about 40 years, R/o Plot No. 356 B St. 18, Smriti Nagar, Bhilai Nagar, Durg (C.G.)

VERSUS

RESPONDENTS : 1. State of Chhattisgarh, Through the Secretary, Department of General Administration, D.K.S. Bhavan, Mantralaya, Raipur (C.G.)
2. The Deputy Collector, District Durg (C.G.)
3. Junior Executive (Personnel, Power and Electricity), Bhilai Steel Plant, Bhilai, Durg (C.G.)

WRIT PETITION UNDER ARTICLE 226 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA

SB: Hon'ble Shri Satish K. Agnihotri, J.

Present: Shri T.K.Tiwari, Advocate for the petitioner.
Shri Vinay Harit, Deputy Advocate General for the State / respondent No. 1 and 2.

ORDER

(Passed on 31st day of August, 2007)

1. By this petition, the petitioner has impugned the order dated 20.07.2007, whereby, the petitioner working as Technician in P.E.M. Department, Steel Authority of India Limited (Bhilai Steel Plant), has been asked to get his caste certificate verified from the Collector.

2. On reading of the order, it appears that the petitioner has been directed to get verified the genuineness of the caste certificate and nothing more than that. Even otherwise, it is well settled that if there is a dispute with regard to caste, that has to be decided by the Caste Scrutiny Committee constituted by the State Government.

3. At this stage, there is no reason to have any grievance against the order dated 20.07.2007 as the petitioner is required to get the genuineness of his caste certificate verified from the Collector, as according to the learned counsel for the petitioner, the competent authority to issue caste certificate is the Deputy Collector.

4. In view of the above, the matter stands disposed of.

Sd/-
Satish K.Agnihotri
Judge

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